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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

<b><u>COUNTRY</u></b>	<b><u>PUBLICATION NO.</u></b>	<b><u>PUBLICATION DATE</u></b>
PCT	WO 99/45974	September 16, 1999
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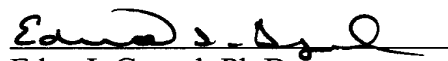
## NON-PATENT PUBLICATIONS

1. "The Prionics®-Check - Principles", <http://www.roche-applied-science.com/indbio/ind/BSE/principles.htm>.

The above-referenced documents are listed on PTO Form 1449. We have enclosed the cited documents to facilitate reference to them.

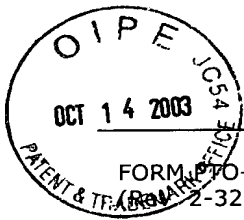
Applicants are not aware of any other references to be identified at this time. If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to the present application, he or she is respectfully invited to contact Applicants' agent at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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		WO 99/45974	9/16/99	PCT				
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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

			"The Prionics®-Check - Principles", <a href="http://www.roche-applied-science.com/indbio/ind/BSE/principles.htm">http://www.roche-applied-science.com/indbio/ind/BSE/principles.htm</a> .
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